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In re Patent Application of:  
Koji SODE et al.

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Art Unit: 1637

For: METHOD OF DETECTING TARGET  
MOLECULE BY USING APTAMER

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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Notification to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed March 30, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Reply includes:

-**Amendments** to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

-**Amendments** to the Sequence Listing begin on page 3 of this paper.

-**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

✓-**An Appendix** including the paper and CRF disk copy of the Sequence Listing is attached following page 5 of this paper.